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This is a request for filing a (X) continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 09/690,581 filed on October 17, 2000, of:

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 Title : Synthetic Multimerizing Agents

[X] 115 Sheets of Specification, 1 Sheet of Claims, 1 page Abstract of the Disclosure
 [X] Preliminary Amendment, 1 page
 [X] Verified Small Entity Statement, 1 page
 [X] Declaration and Power of Attorney of 09/690,581, 12 pages
 [X] Recorded Assignment of 09/690,581, 9 pages
 [X] Copy of a Petition for a Three-month Extension of Time which was filed on February 28, 2002, in the parent application Serial No. 09/690,581, 3 pages
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